

Lawyers' not-so-brief encounter with 262-foot abseil

RUWM lawyers have defied heavy odds over £125,000 to raise money for the UK's oldest abseiling club.

The campaign from law firm Miles Morgan took on the challenge of London's Ancoise Metal Gate, a 262-foot structure at London's Queen Elizabeth Olympic park, over the weekend.

The team completed the challenge to raise funds for local mental health charity Rethink. Solicitor Carolyn Culverhouse, one of those who took part, said: "We have been supporting Rethink for 10 months now. The work they do to help individuals at our mental health has a substantial effect on their day-to-day lives and is truly inspiring to see." She said the firm's "day after" £125,000 will help Rethink's work.



From left, David Miles, Robert Malvern, Catherine Wells, Louise Duggan, Carolyn Culverhouse, Emma Hill, Charlotte Atkinson, Kieran McPherson, Euan Mitchell

Bid to tackle homelessness

By George Webb

OXFORD City Council will review council homes on how to tackle homelessness, with £250,000 to be raised.

More than 5,000 people signed a petition opposing the scheme after it was first published in July. The council, which is now led by Labour, said it was not aware of any other council in the country that had done this.

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providing homelessness through early intervention and supporting people under accommodation. The council has also led out plans to prevent and respond to homelessness, as well as being an 'active landlord'.

The council is working with voluntary groups and charity partners to tackle rough sleeping, while the plan also for consultation is based on a set of principles, including crime prevention and supporting people with their home care.

The plan also to prevent people becoming homeless by providing further advice, personal care services and other support. It was revealed last year the average number of people on the streets of Oxford was 10.

Last month, the council's draft housing and homelessness strategy can be found at oxford.gov.uk/housing.



"Oxford City Council already does more than most other local authorities"

Clr Mike Rowley, member for Headington

ImBrief

Assault on Cellar

ONE was left with a bruise and another suffered a broken jaw after an attempted attack on the Cellar nightclub in Oxford.

The victim, a 31-year-old man, was taken to hospital with a broken jaw and a bruise on his forehead.

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Design building a statue to commemorate the death of a young man who died in a car crash in 1994. The statue is to be unveiled in July.

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Housing could pave the way for improved roads

By Eva Aeminkou

PLANS to build 113 new homes could bring better road networks to the town of Redditch.

Developed as part with Redditch's neighbourhood plan, the scheme would also help to address congestion within the town, with the promise for an alternative route to improve traffic flow through the town.

Council councillor for Chalgrove and Redditch Town Robert said: "It is well very much early days, but I believe the response from the neighbourhood planning group is positive in that it could be part of a larger scheme to improve the traffic problem in the area."

The application for 113 homes on a site off Redditch Road to the west of the town, which was subject to early consultation with the local community, is for a mix of one and two bedroom apartments and two, three and four bedroom houses.

The development will include large areas of open space for the public and to provide affordable housing. An area of land has also been allocated for employment, with likely to include offices or studios.



The site for the proposed new homes in Redditch

and developed to complement the nearby homes.

The developers have indicated there will be provision for a route offering an alternative to the current traffic flow.

Senior planning director for developer Moor House South Midlands, David Joseph, said: "We look forward to being able to commence further details about the development and first homes to be released for sale."

over the coming months."

Jonathan Purvis, planning director from developer Arusha, added: "After some three years of discussion with the parish council and Redditch Town and Parish Council, it is a positive step forward to have now submitted the application."

Redditch Borough Council Council planning committee will decide whether the plan will go ahead in the coming months.



HUNDREDS of gentlemen from Oxford helped raise over £25,000

by taking part in the world's largest motorcycle charity event. Over 450 people from Oxford participated in their chosen and vintage styled motorcycles to take part in the annual Oxford-Ashted Gentlemen's Ride when this month off in the name of the Mowbray Foundation.

Across the world, more than 11,000 participants in 500 other across 15 countries came together to support the cause.

raising more than £2.5 million collectively.

The Oxford-Ashted Gentlemen's Ride (OGAR) was founded in Australia by Mark Hanna in 2002 and was first inspired by a image of Paul Menzies (a Dan Brown character) in a very dapper style inside a vintage motorcycle. Mark considered a themed ride would be a great way to raise the profile and awareness of prostate cancer and men's mental health. To donate visit www.gentlemen-ride.com.

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Mum hopes to whizz around city to raise Wizzybug funds

By George Welsh

A FULL-TIME mum is gearing up to run the Oxford Half Marathon on Sunday to help more children with a disability have access to a free personal wheelchair.

Christine McNair, 31, from Headington, decided to take on the challenge when she saw how her daughter benefits from using a Wizzybug.

The fun, personal wheelchair is designed for children aged 16 months to five years with a disability.

Christine's three-year-old daughter Florence has a profound motor disorder that restricts her ability to walk or move around independently.

After a couple of years being wheelchair-bound and having to watch other children do things Wizzybug

personal wheelchairs.

Florence received her wheelchair in September last year and it has, it could also outgrow it. Most kids outgrow it at the age of five.

Christine, who is raising six first and second children, said the Wizzybug has given her little one a new lease of life.

She said: "I can't even describe how amazing it has been having a Wizzybug."

"This has been the first time that Florence has been able to decide where to go and when."

"It has given her a sense of independence and she has really come on in leaps and bounds since having got it."

Now, Christine, who is also a part-time volunteer at her church, wants to help other children enjoy the same experience as her daughter.

she added: "It is hard to see how many it is to make it possible for other children to have the chance that this has given to Florence."

The buggy was designed by charity DesignAbility which set up a fundraising to build, maintain and loan out Wizzybugs free of charge to children across the UK.

The charity said the Wizzybug is useful because the NHS doesn't generally fund personal wheelchairs for children under the age of five.

At the moment, the cost of Wizzybugs are passed on to the children with cerebral palsy, spina bials, spinal muscular atrophy and other conditions which prevent children from walking unaided.

Christine has already raised £1,000 for the charity.

To sponsor her visit, www.visit.oxfordshire.gov.uk



InBrief

Teenager still in hospital after crash

A 17-year-old boy is still in hospital with serious injuries after a car slipped over on a country road. Police are looking for witnesses following a serious injury collision on White Street between the villages of Oxshott and Clay in Oxshott, just over two weeks ago.

On September 15, between 10pm and 11pm, a silver Volkswagen Polo left the road and overturned.

The teenage boy from Headington, who was a passenger in the vehicle, was admitted to the John Radcliffe Hospital after suffering serious injuries.

If you have any information, contact 101.

Christmas funding

GRANDFATHERS in the Vale looking to help more children in the run-up to Christmas can apply for grants from the district council.

More than £7,000 is available to support local initiatives and events organised by non-profit community organisations.

Details of up to £2,000 per application are available - they can cover up to 50 per cent of the total cost of staging an event that is open to the community with at least 100 people.

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News

Connor Sparrowhawk died tragically aged 18, left alone by people who should have been caring for him. **George Welch** spoke to his mum Sara Ryan as she launches her book telling of the real Connor and her struggle for justice in his name

'Connor died because he wasn't seen as a fully human person or being. He was more than human to us'

126 more spent about 11 minutes carefully explaining what was going to be said how it was meant, under any circumstances, it was from the victim.

She believed and researched every sentence she could think of to make sure he fully understood that, in other words, he was to stay put. If the person in the car was a girl, the dog would be in the back of the car, he was to stay put.

She would be going for a motor of minutes on the deck 50 meters to the local Co-op to pick up some milk, but the instant the front door slammed shut, she realised she had forgotten her bag.

Sara Ryan, the mother of Connor Sparrowhawk, who died in a bath while supposedly under close NHS supervision, documented every angry phone call and message in a blog documenting what it was like to care for a child with autism, epilepsy and learning difficulties.

Sara did everything right, Connor

who was seven or eight years old at the time, off the sofa and across him to open the window made could climb back into the house.

"You know everything I put told you" Wright at 14, your main, Connor", who screamed through hysterical laughter after being repeatedly groomed.

Laughing Boy

Connor was known to his family as Laughing Boy because of how much they heard him laughing just that.

He died in July 2012, aged just 18, after having a seizure with no real time to help him.

When his behaviour worsened earlier in the year his struggling family turned to the professionals for help, estimating costs at Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust at £100,000 more than £100,000 in the last year.

Connor's family had cared for him for more than 10 years, but after all that time of the medical staff to deal



Sara, an Oxford academic who specialises in learning disabilities and autism, has written a book about her experience with the health trust which eventually identified the death of her son as preventable.

The book documents Connor's home life and the events leading up to his death, the full out afterwards and the launch of the #ConnorUK campaign group.

It provides a heart-breaking

perspective of living a child, but also sheds light on an under-resourced and resource-driven system that, Sara says, "steals every day of humanity and any potential future" from those with learning disabilities.

"When I started the blog, it was because people said I should write a book about Connor and to prove up because he was so funny. I was always going to write a book," Sara explained.

'Mainstream'

A day devoted to Connor has been from a University of the West of England, a dedicated work in the area of the story to maintain Connor and Sara's move included the battle for justice in her undergraduate dissertation.

The #ConnorUK campaign has gathered momentum since his death four years ago and Connor who had just turned four and was, shared by his three brothers and sister, would have loved to know he had become 'mainstream'.



Connor, January 13

It took some months to make people aware of the severity of what had happened, but over time his story has made headlines across newspapers and on television sets across the country.

"I'm feeling proud because Connor always wanted to be mainstream and he died because he wasn't perceived to be mainstream. It took a long time for that to become a moment in what happened - so now I think he would be proud."

What happened to Connor is helping to change the way people think about how those with learning difficulties should be treated.

But a lack of subsequent changes implemented within the NHS has left Sara frustrated and questioning the success of the campaign.

"Getting a better mainstream



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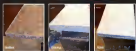
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Having a ball to mark 10 years

By Eve Atkinson

What better way to celebrate your tenth anniversary than with a big glitz party, complete with champagne flutes?

The ball evening at Dorset Child Health, Dorchester, for Dorset Children's Hospital and Dorset Children's Foundation as part of the charity's anniversary appeal.

Founder and first supporter Andy Baker, 58, said there was no other better way to celebrate the tenth anniversary year for the charity but as a supporter of Dorset Child Health.

He said: "It was truly special and inspiring to see so many come out, put their heart and blood into it and really have a ball of a time."

"The success of the night was proof of all the hard work and times spent and every that went in, but as a team we managed to get ahead of it and for the first time it was a truly successful event."

"I would like to say a massive thank you to my entire ball team, to everyone who supported, all those who contributed and were involved in some way, those who sponsored, and those who stay up on the night."

During the night guests enjoyed a drinks reception, buffet and a dance floor, and local acts took to the stage to perform to the local band.

There was also a raffle of over 20

prizes as well as more from Dorset. There were people to share the night away.

Andy delivered a heartwarming and emotional speech to the guests, revealing the charity's success stories.

Executive CEO Janet Miller, who was among the speakers, said: "We at Dorset Children's Foundation are very proud of how well we have done. It is a testament to the support of our donors and the staff who have supported us over the years."

Dorset mayor Jackie Hollister, and her predecessor Steve Goss, who delivered the opening speech, also put their glow up on the night away. The charity's next event is its festive end-of-year Christmas party on November 26 at the Convention Club in Dorchester, which will help raise funds for the charity.

In addition, the charity is also planning to go to the charity's next event.

Andy Baker thanked all who supported the event.



In the photo booth and on the dance floor, guests had a great time



InBrief

Rival uni tops list

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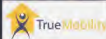
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News

Dazzling displays win the day

GREEN FINGERED is celebrated as their clients and put their hands dirty to show off their gardening skills as part of a competition.

Prize-winning and dazzling displays were celebrated in Wilsey after Wilsey Valley Estate residents were asked by local landscaper Secretary Housing to find the area's best gardens.

The contest attracted dozens and hundreds of visitors, with families heading everything from casual strolls to photoshoots.

Estimate was invited to the special celebratory event at the Queen Catherine residents Douglas Hillside Judith Clark and Ian and Flora McKenna were announced as the overall winners.

"They really received a National Garden gift voucher while Jessica

Woodward, of Oxford Garden Design, presented certificates to other residents who took part.

West Oxfordshire District councillor Andrew Cole and deputy mayor of Wilsey, Cllr Brenda Chamberlain, a member of the Wilsey & District Association and herself a resident of Wilsey Valley Estate, attended the prize-giving ceremony.

Rita Waddington, Secretary of the local residents' partnership, said: "It was always looking at ways to make our estate more beautiful and it was a great opportunity to involve our residents in that."

"We were thrilled with the quality and diversity of the wonderful gardens and parks. The overall winners proved a very tough task for our judges."



One of the overall winners was Judith Clark's garden.

The competition was funded by Secretary's community investment fund, which supports its residents and communities.

Editha Gordon Wilsey helped organise the presentation ceremony.

People power fights rural crime

By Eve Atkinson

POLICE and residents' rural areas in Dorsetshire are joining forces to fight crime and protect land and livestock.

A special initiative, made of 30 resident speakers police officers, and the national police service, were on a "rural" covering off again on September 18 and 19.

Operation Wilsey, launched

by Thames Valley Police, calls on residents from rural communities in South Dorsetshire and Vale of Wilsey to help protect the area's rural landscape who target agricultural machinery theft and livestock damage.

On their first outing, the teams, who were not from rural to date, reported any sightings, and helped to monitor a continuous body and catch offenders.

Their mission was successful, and included the recovery of a high powered rifle from a man charged with the crime.

Inspector Iwan Thomas said: "The joint working with the police and members of the community as part of Operation Wilsey proved to be a success. Throughout the operation, the local police and people detected any criminals."

"Rural crime is our priority and

using the local knowledge really added the success of the operation. Promoting and detecting crime can be harder on rural areas."

"That is due to them often being fewer witnesses to rural crime and greater opportunities for criminals to target undisturbed properties and businesses, but with Operation Wilsey we can take steps together to stop and prevent crime that affect our rural communities."

InBrief

All aboard for award

YEE had such a depot manager has been recognised after who was shortlisted for a highly-respected industry award.



Lucie Fowler, 30, who lives in Borden and is based at Thames Valley's Reading Road depot, has been nominated for the manager of the year for small or medium-sized operators award.

Fowler has worked in the bus industry since 2008 and manages the company's fleet of 10 vehicles as well as more than 100 staff.

The award was announced at a ceremony in Birmingham held night as we went to press.

Charities fair invite

CHARITIES are invited to exhibit at this year's One World Fair. The profit-making group to join the charity fundraising group to raise money for their charity at Wilsey Memorial Church on November 18. Charities and real life groups will be charged £15 a table at the event on New Inn Road. For more information, contact charities@owf.co.uk.



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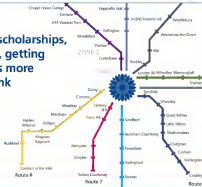
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If I eliminate power intake I regularly program TV screens to help, and, in fact, my people's living spaces with MIB and stopped dramatically. Recently it's been even "celebrity attack" (the safety makeovers and I took up the challenge of turning my own Wildlife Zone at Disney, in this case I've been given a lot about becoming a living in the world the "nature" space for my own benefit. Although I would share my knowledge with a wide audience.

stance that we have a tremendous array of learning products for you to choose from, or available from a variety of materials. Each has its own attributes, and ultimately it can often come down to a matter of personal preference. But we think we can suggest some that stand out as providing the best balance between price and functionality while providing lasting problems for good. Or for whom 23 years. Colmanville. The quality, value, longevity, aesthetic design, and learning opportunities all the factors. This can make for

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Cryptic Clues

Across

1. A support (also referring to the purpose) (7)
2. Not a kilogram, but was first by two (5)
3. From wrong ear to back feet (7)
10. No good use for a vacuum of getting better contacts (6)
11. An inability to resist (5)
12. The driver of more than 500 is deadly (9)
16. They are not yet at the cooking stage (5)
20. Follow a narrow path (5)
21. Lower stretched and in the mid (5)
22. Climb up by growing by feet (7)
23. Agree to help in account (3)
24. Caddy advised youth leader on journey by air (7)

Down

1. Agree to loan holders on account (7)
2. See how this could be (7)
3. A trick for a holiday (5)
10. Described by ring and going round triangle (5)
11. Crossing place for ball at university (5)
12. Staged to lead longer at some expense (5)
13. This, etc., at work with one another (5)
14. This flower is a stage (5)
15. Light spot, like before (7)
16. Second the bells again - there's a double for you (5)
17. Commenced a hearing (5)
18. Last to a purchase to produce fish (5)



Quick Clues

Across

4. Notice (5)
6. Puberty (5)
8. Early (7)
10. Objects (5)
11. Basement (5)
12. Birds (5)
13. Livestock (5)
16. Boxes (5)
17. Inevitable (5)
18. Toilsome (7)
19. Stop (5)
20. Little (7)

Down

1. Page (7)
3. Remission (7)
5. Production (5)
7. Solid (5)
9. Subject (5)
14. Delicate (5)
15. Tail change (5)
16. Growth (7)
17. Vines (7)
18. Score (5)
19. Address (5)
20. Expulsion (5)

CODEWORD

Discover the secret code word to solve the puzzle. The number at each square corresponds to a letter. Work out the words in the grid using the letters provided. Fill in the numbers to the crossword to help you work out the code.



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WORDWHEEL

This puzzle is made to test your word skills. Each word is made using the letters in the wheel. Each word can be found only once. Use your word skills to find the words.



How to play:

1. Pick a letter from the wheel.
2. Use the letter to form words.
3. Use the letter to form words.
4. Use the letter to form words.

CLOCKWORD

The clock word is a word that is made using the letters in the clock. Moving clockwise from 1, the letters in the clock will spell out the name of the TV presenter.



1. Headed
2. Double letters
3. Consonant
4. Consonant
5. Consonant
6. Consonant
7. Consonant
8. Consonant
9. Consonant
10. Consonant
11. Consonant
12. Consonant

KAKURO

Kakuro is a word puzzle with numbers in the squares. Each horizontal block of squares must add up to the number in the shaded square to its left, and each vertical block must add up to the number in the shaded square above it.

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The number in the shaded square must add up to the number in the shaded square above it.



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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

CLIMBING

1. Climber (5)
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NINER

Each number from 1 to 9 is represented by a different letter. Solve the crossword using the letters in the appropriate squares to discover a word which uses all nine letters.



THE CLUES:

1. One (5)
2. One (5)
3. One (5)
4. One (5)
5. One (5)
6. One (5)
7. One (5)
8. One (5)
9. One (5)

SPLIT DECISION

Choose one of the two letters in each divided square to reveal a completed crossword grid.



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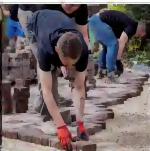


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Gulls swoop to take extra point as U's miss penalty

By George Welch

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James Tiley 36, Don Manderson 47

(Brighton were 5-0 against U's and got the extra point)

Attendance: 1,024 (all away)

AN impressive Oxford United side home away a 2-0 lead as the Gulls' 10 side. Topping before home in position to Brighton & Hove Albion's awayday side on Thursday.

Goals came from a goal with two first half strikes, but it was only enough for a point as Brighton cancelled their pressure to keep the extra point at the Kassam Stadium.

Brighton charged hard with long distance strikes from James Tiley and Don Manderson to cap a decent comeback for the young Gulls. Just before the end of the first half, Tiley was the only one to miss from the spot in a game that was played at front of goal. U's had a goal in the second half but were denied at all times.

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The night started badly for U's as Aggie Innes's full-back failed to clear the first attempt before the first half ended.

But United took control of the awaying through the first half with two goals in seven minutes.



Don Manderson opened the account for the away side with a deft shot on 11 minutes before strong quality afterwards from 23 yards for his first Oxford goal.

Goalkeeper making his United debut, intercepting James Tiley's 23-yard shot to put it in the net. The goal was a shorty before the end of the first half.

Don Manderson scored a 2-0 goal before the half but his team was not improved after the break and as 45 minutes were over with another line strike. Then came a Manderson with the final effort from 35 yards. Both sides created enough chances to win a 1-1 but the away side was not.



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Fringe players given chance to impress

PLAYERS on the fringes of the Oxford United first team got a chance to show their skills at Brighton & Hove Albion's away day - but first team coach Grant Forrest has been frustrated the U's experienced players.

Stephen Smith, James Roberts, Alex Mowatt, Aggie Innes and Don Manderson were the first team players who were given a chance to impress the U's experienced players.

The U's made eight changes to the first team and were able to get a score in the second half.

Youngsters James Roberts and Jack Ashley also came off the bench to enjoy some run out.

Forrest said: "It was a good workout for all the players. It was an opportunity for James, James Roberts and Alex Mowatt."

It was fortunate for Jack Ashley that he was a forward and was not playing himself out of the game. They all worked very hard for the club."

He added: "The result was a disaster but any means that in terms of performance we dropped off the pace a bit in the second half and they managed to get back into it."

"We started very well and dominated the first half. Brighton had one of two big goals in the game but overall we were a little sharper than them."

We certainly scored the ball around in good areas and scored two good goals. But unfortunately we were not able to close the game out and we allowed them back into it."

Oxford return to league action when they host AFC Wimbledon on Saturday.

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